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ISSUE:

An ordinance amending sections 23-1-102 and 23-5-104, of Title 23 of the West Valley City Municipal Code regarding the provision of adequate space for and appropriate treatment of dogs which are tethered or kept within a confined space.

SYNOPSIS:

Title 23 of the West Valley Code pertains to the proper treatment and control of animals with in West Valley City. The amendments included within this ordinance are intended to clarify and expand the existing regulations on the proper care and treatment of dogs.

This ordinance defines what constitutes adequate space for dogs; what forms of shelter are acceptable for dogs; and directs what forms of tethers are appropriate according to the breed, age, size, and weight of a particular dog. This ordinance also prohibits a dog owner or handler from tethering a dog in any manner causing injury to or endangering a dog. This ordinance also prohibits a dog owner or handler from tethering or restraining a dog outside during conditions of extreme weather.

BACKGROUND:

This ordinance was drafted in order to expand and clarify the existing regulations pertaining to the proper treatment of dogs when tethered or placed in confined spaces by owners and handlers of dogs within West Valley City.

RECOMMENDATION:

Animal Services of West Valley City recommends approval of the ordinance.

SUBMITTED BY:

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